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Jay L. Schollmeyer,^{1/} for and on behalf of United Transportation Union-General Committee of Adjustment, GO-386 (UTU/GO-386), submits these comments in response to the Board's Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM), decided March 6, 2008 (served March 12), 73 Fed. Reg. 13523 (March 13, 2008).

UTU/GO-386 participated in the antecedent proceeding leading up to the ANPRM noticed herein. Ex Parte No. 669, Interpretation of the Term "Contract" in 49 U.S.C. 10709.^{2/}

This commentor will withhold suggestions until a more formalized rule is proposed. At this point, it is urged (as before) that the Board consider disclosure and transparency conducive to the public interest.

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^{2/} See: Reply Comments of John D. Fitzgerald, dated August 2, 2007.